

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Unincorporated Communities (AS 37.05.317)****Grant Recipient: Chistochina****Project Title:**

Chistochina - Renovate Community Hall

State Funding Requested: \$ 100,000
One-Time Need**House District: 6 - C****Brief Project Description:**

Renovate Community Hall

Funding Plan:**Total Cost of Project: \$100,000**

<u>Funding Secured</u>	
<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>

<u>Other Pending Requests</u>	
<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>

<u>Anticipated Future Need</u>	
<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>

There is no other funding needed

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

Below is estimated cost to renovate the community hall in Chistochina.

Replace Heating System: \$30,000

Interior Plumbing Repairs: \$14,500

Replace Kitchen Floor: \$25,000

Replace Interior and Exterior Doors: \$9,500

New Counter Tops and Replacement of Kitchen Cabinets: \$15,000

Replace Toilets and Fixtures including Kitchen Faucet: \$6,000"

Project Timeline:

Project expected to take 2 months to complete.

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Cheesha-na Tribal Council

Grant Recipient Contact Information:

Contact Name: Elaine Sinyon

Phone Number: (907) 822-3503

Address: PO Box 241 Chistochina, AK 99586

Email:

Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☒ Yes ☐ No

**Cheesh-na Tribal Council**

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January 14, 2008

Senator Albert Kookesh
Representative Woodie Salmon
Senate District C, Housing District 6
State Capital Rm. 11
Juneau, AK 99810-1182

Dear Senator Kookesh & Rep. Salmon,

Enclosed is Cheesh-na Tribal Council's request for funding through the Capital Improvement Project for FY2008.

Our community building has been limping along for two years, as we have been unable to secure funding to bring this building up to standards, we continue to submit for grants.

Thank you for our consideration and if there are any questions, please do contact me at (907) 822-3503.

Sincerely,

Elaine Sinyon
Tribal Administrator

Enclosures

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Capital Improvement Project Request

Cheesh-na Tribal Council is requesting a capital improvement funding in the amount of \$100,000.00 to repair our Community Hall in Chistochina, Alaska.

Chistochina is located at Mile 34 Tok Cutoff and has a population of a 105, give or take a few depending on the season. Chistochina is a small community that has one store, gas station, B&B and smaller local businesses, i.e. campground's. Chistochina is governed by Cheesh-na Tribal Council and consists of the Cheesh-na Tribe. The community is very diverse, dependent on subsistence and local summer seasonal work. The two entities that provide year round employment are: Cheesh-na Tribal Council and Mt. Sanford Tribal Consortium, both being non-project entities providing service based jobs. Chistochina is one of the villages under the Ahtna Corporation and remains one of the most traditional of all villages.

The community hall was built in 1985 and has been maintained by the Tribal Council, revenue is made by renting out the hall to various entities and agencies throughout the Copper River Basin. Through the years, we have received funding to maintain the building, but in the last few years with the cost of rising fuel costs, it is becoming harder and harder to maintain the building, as the building is over 20 years old.

We submitted a grant to renovate and upgrade the hall, but we were unable to get that grant and will be trying for the next round. In the meantime, we are limping along without a heating system and our indoor plumbing is in major disrepair. This building is used consistently throughout the year. Cheesh-na Tribal Council hold's all of its meetings there, as does Mt. Sanford Tribal Consortium. Ahtna Incorporated, the Copper Basin 300, Copper River Basin Regional Housing Authority, BLM and the National Park Service also use it. Every year, we have groups that come from out of state to hold weeklong camps for our community and children. Local churches for Vacation Bible School rent it. All of our holiday activities and community dinners are held at this facility.

We expect this repairs to take two months and hope that we secure of the funding to completely bring the building up to standards.



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Elaine Sinyon
Cheesh-na Tribal Council
PO Box 241
Gakona, Alaska 99586

Re: Community Hall Repairs

Dear Elaine:

Below are estimates for repairs at the Chistochina Community Hall.

\$ 30,000	Replace heating system
\$ 14,500	Interior plumbing repairs
\$25,000	Replace kitchen floor
\$ 9,500	Replace interior and exterior doors
\$15,000	New counter tops and replacement of some cabinets in kitchen
\$ 6,000	Replace toilets and fixtures including kitchen faucet

Sincerely,

Ernie Charley
General Manager



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Letter Of Support

Cheesh'na Tribal Council
Attn: Tribal Administrator, Elaine Sinyon
Mile 34 Tok Cut Off Highway
Chistochina, AK 99586

Dear Ms Sinyon,

It is the pleasure of Mt. Sanford Tribal Consortium to support Cheesh'na Tribal Council's efforts to refurbish the Chistochina Community Hall. As the center for community activities the hall is the primary venue for meetings of state, federal, and tribal governments and is the disaster shelter in case of emergency. Other events that have occurred at the hall include potlatches, funerals, game nights, health fairs, education classes, camp-fire, and many other activities.

The Community Hall has served the residents for many years and now requires significant improvement to its foundation, heating system, and various other components to ensure the hall continues to be available to the community. Mt. Sanford Tribal Consortium has utilized the hall many times and strongly encourages Cheesh'na Tribal Council to seek any funding available to improve this valuable community asset. The hall not only represents the physical structure of a building but also a sense home, belonging, family and community for the residents of Chistochina.

Mt. Sanford Tribal Consortium strongly supports Cheesh'na Tribal Council's proposal for refurbishment and improvement of Chistochina Community Hall. We appreciate your request for this letter, and are pleased to provide it. Thank you for your consideration of the residents of Chistochina.

Sincerely,

George Drinkwater
Operations Manager
Mt. Sanford Tribal Consortium
P.O. Box 357 Gakona, AK 99586
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January 31, 2008

Larry Sinyon, President
Cheesh-Na Tribal Council
PO Box 241
Gakona, AK 99586

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Dear Mr. Sinyon:

Ahtna, Incorporated supports your endeavor to pursue funding for your village.

Ahtna, Incorporated will continue to use your community hall at a minimum of 2-3 times a year for SVO committee meetings.

If you have any comments or questions, please feel free to contact me at 907-822-3476.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Martin
VP of Land & Resource